

Senator Josh Newman

Principled. Problem Solver.



Welcome from Senator Newman REPRESENTING SENATE DISTRICT 29

Friends,

Welcome to my August newsletter. Every summer the state Legislature takes a month long recess to allow legislators to return to their districts and address local issues directly. I've been keeping very busy during this recess, holding community coffees, senior scam stopper events and meeting directly with SD 29 constituents at my district office.

I've enjoyed this opportunity to hear your concerns directly from you. It's important to me that you feel like your voice is being heard always. If there is anything I can do to better represent you in Sacramento, please don't hesitate to reach out. My door is always open.

It's an honor representing our District and helping Sacramento understand the needs of our communities in Los Angeles, Orange and San Bernardino counties. I look forward to meeting you at an upcoming coffee, here at my district office, and if you're ever in Sacramento, please stop by and visit my Capitol Office.



SENIOR SCAM STOPPER



Hear from experts on how to protect yourself from fraud relating to home repair, insurance,

relating to home repair, insurance, finances, identity theft and more.

Join me for a Senior Scam Stopper Workshop:

August 17

Rowland Heights Community Center 2 PM - 4 PM 18150 Pathfinder Rd Rowland Heights, CA 91748

August 18

Diamond Bar Center 9 AM - 11 AM 1600 Grand Ave. Diamond Bar, CA 91765

For more information call: (714) 671-9474

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Learning from SD29's Working Men and Women

On July 31st I traded my suit and tie for a hard hat and goggles for my first "Josh on the Job" work shadow day at Proterra's new facility, in the City of Industry.

Proterra is an American manufacturing company headquartered in Burlingame, CA which makes zero-emission all electric buses. Proterra sold its first three buses to Foothill transit in 2009, and since then they have created hundreds of jobs in California and throughout the nation. After attending Proterra's grand opening ceremony earlier in July, I was inspired to return and spend a day in the life of a Proterra worker.

On the job site, I was directed and supervised by Electrical Associate Manny Almanza, who showed me how he puts a door assembly on a bus. After that, Production Supervisor Josh Schneider showed me how to route a high voltage harness. These men are incredibly technically skilled and do very meticulous, difficult work.

My goal with "Josh on the Job" is to get to know the workers in my district, like Manny and Josh, who help contribute to California's thriving economy. I want to gain a rich understanding of their experiences on the job site and the things important to them so I can do a better job representing them in Sacramento.

My experience working alongside the hardworking men and women at Proterra was both insightful and memorable. I am looking forward to more "Josh on the Job" experiences across the vibrant and dynamic workforce of the 29th Senate District.



It's a disconcerting but true fact: identity theft does not discriminate. In 2016, there were over 15 million victims of identity theft across the United States, including well over a million in California. Together their losses exceeded more than \$16 billion, while subjecting victims and their families to high levels of personal frustration, anxiety, and even tragedy.

Identity theft victims come in all ages and the impact of the crime varies by age group. The crime also varies by household income. Those with higher incomes are more likely to be victimized, but no one is immune.

One news report cited the presence of a "massive" ID theft ring in Stanton that had in their possession

the personal data of over twenty thousand residents, along with all the necessary materials for making fake credit cards.

In recent years, the California Legislature has passed many measures that lessen the likelihood of ID theft. But the final responsibility is with you. To assist you, I have an informative brochure on ID theft avoidance. Copies are available at my office, and will provide you with ideas and tips that will reduce your chances of becoming a victim of ID theft.

If you have any questions about this or any other state-related issue, please contact my District Office at (714) 671-9474 or contact me through my website at www.senate.ca.gov/newman. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you in the State Senate.

Veterans Corner

SCR 55 "Purple Heart Day"

On July 20, the State Senate voted unanimously to adopt Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) 55 to commemorate August 7, 2017 as "Purple Heart Day" in California. I wrote this resolution to honor the brave men and women who have been wounded or killed in battle. SCR 55 was adopted in the Senate with enthusiastic bipartisan support.

As a veteran of the United States Army, I felt it was important to commemorate the service of not only the soldiers who were wounded or gave their lives in defense of our nation but also, to commemorate the sacrifices made by the families of those soldiers. On August 7th, and every day, we honor Purple Heart soldiers and their families who made such



sacrifices to preserve our freedoms and protect our national security.

The Purple Heart award, which traces its origins all the way back to the Revolutionary War, is awarded in the name of the President of the United States to any member of the Armed Forces who, while serving, has been wounded or killed in the defense of our country.

My Office is Here to Help

My district and capitol staff are available to help constituents navigate the complex web of state agencies and departments. State government is large and one hand doesn't always know what the other is doing. We're here to help make sure that you're being listened to and responded to appropriately. If you have questions about my legislation or about any statewide issues please feel free to contact my Capitol office in Sacramento. My district office is located in Brea; drop by any time or call my staff and they'd be happy to help you navigate local and state resources.

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